Appendix C
Procedure for Converting Emission Data to lb/MW-hr

Engines

Engine emission standards are typically expressed in terms of ppmv or in grams/brake horsepower-hour. Given below are factors to convert from ppm to grams/brake horsepower-hour and from grams/brakehorsepower-hour to pound/megawatt hour.

The resulting answers will be approximate values since various default assumptions were used to develop natural gas default factors. The efficiency of the engine has the greatest affect on the concentration (ppmvd) to mass emission rate conversion (g/bhp-hr), which can vary from 20 to 40 percent. In the calculations below, the efficiency is proportional to the engine brake specific fuel consumption.

PPM to GM/Bhp-hr

$$\text{Concentration in exhaust by volume (dry) (ppmvd)} = \frac{\text{volume of pollutant (Vp)}}{\text{volume of exhaust (Ve)}} \times 10^6$$

Vp = emission factor (g/bhp-hr) x horsepower x (1/molecular weight) x molar volume x conversion factors

Ve = F-factor for exhaust volume x excess air correction x engine brake specific fuel consumption x horsepower x conversion factors

These factors can be reduced to: ppmvd = (gm/Bhp-hr) * factor

Reciprocating Engines, natural gas fueled

Pollutant	Factor
NOx	57-59
VOC	163-170
CO	93-97

Values taken from California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA) report: Portable Equipment Rule Piston IC Engine Technical Reference Document, 1995.

Lean-burn Engines, natural gas fueled

Pollutant	Factor
NOx	80
VOC	212
CO	123

Factors provided from Waukesha

GM/Bhp-hr to Lb/MW-hr

Gm/Bhp-hr x 3.07 = lb/MW-hr

- Includes 95% factor for generator efficiency
- Conversion factors for grams to pounds and brake horsepower to watts

Gas Turbines

lb/MW-hr = (emission rate [lb/MMBtu]) x (3.413 [MMBtu/MWh]) / (efficiency)

2.5 ppmvd = 0.0093 lb/MMBtu for NOx
2 ppmvd = 0.0027 lb/MMBtu for VOC
5 ppmvd = 0.013 lb/MMBtu for CO

efficiency for central station power plant is 50%